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1. I CALLED ON UN SRSG GALINDO-POHL A.M. JULY 7 TO BRIEF HIM ON THE VAROSHA INITIATIVE. D/SRSG GORGE WAS ALSO PRESENT AND DCM ACCOMPANIED ME. I DESCRIBED THE CURRENT STATUS OF OUR EFFORT TO STIMULATE MOVEMENT ON VAROSHA INCLUDING MY JUNE 29 CALL ON DENKTASH AND SIMULTANEOUS DEMARCHE IN ANKARA; THE TURKISH RESPONSE; AND AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISCUSSION WITH UNSYG. I GAVE GALINDO-POHL COPIES OF OUR PROPOSAL AND THE TURKISH RESPONSE.

2. GALINDO-POHL'S INITIAL REACTION WAS POSITIVE. HE SAID HE AND GORGE HAD BEEN AWARE THAT A PROPOSAL TO OPEN VAROSHA UNDER UN CONFIDENTIAL

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ADMINISTRATION WAS BEING CONSIDERED. UNFICYP HAD ALREADY BEEN GIVING SOME THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT RESOURCES WOULD BE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TASK. PRESENT INITIATIVE, HE THOUGHT, OFFERED SOME POSSIBILITY OF BREAKING DEADLOCK ON INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS.

3. GORGE READ BOTH TEXTS. HE ALSO REACTED POSITIVELY. HIS ONLY SPECIFIC COMMENT WAS THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS WOULD HAVE TROUBLE WITH

TRI-PARTITE ADMINISTRATION. GALINDO-POHL SAID HE WOULD STUDY DOCUMENTS CAREFULLY AND KEEP IN TOUCH.

4. COMMENT: GALINDO-POHL AND GORGE WERE MORE POSITIVE IN THEIR INITIAL REACTIONS THAN I HAD ANTICIPATED. THIS MAY CHANGE AS THEY STUDY THE TWO TEXTS. GALINDO-POHL IS CLEARLY ANXIOUS TO BEGIN TO WORK ON A PROPOSAL THAT OFFERS SOME REAL CHANGE OF MOVEMENT. WE ALL AGREED THAT ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE ASPECTS OF THE PROPOSAL IS THAT, IN THE INITIAL STAGE, IT WOULD INVOLVE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN UNFICYP AND THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS WITHOUT NECESSITY OF GREEK CYPRIOT PARTICIPATION.

5. I MET WITH DENKTASH NOON JULY 7. I NOTED THAT GOT HAD MADE A RESPONSE TO OUR PROPOSAL AND SAID I WANTED TO BE SURE HE WAS IN AGREEMENT. DENKTASH RESPONDED THAT HE HAD INFORMED ANKARA OF HIS RECOMMENDATIONS. ON A NUMBER OF POINTS HE HAD "PUT HIS FINGER DOWN." ANKARA HAD ACCEPTED MOST BUT NOT ALL OF HIS ARGUMENTS. IN ORDER TO "HELP ANKARA" HE HAD NOT INSISTED ON ALL OF HIS RECOMMENDATIONS. THEREFORE IT WAS CORRECT TO SAY THAT THE DOCUMENT HAS HIS AGREEMENT.

6. DENKTASH WENT ON TO SAY THAT IF (UNSYG) WALDHEIM TRIED TO SOUND OUT THE GREEK CYPRIOTS ON THE MERITS OF THE PAPER, THE GREEK CYPRIOTS WOULD HAVE A "FURIOUS REACTION" AND THE INITIATIVE WOULD FAIL. HE BELIEVED WALDHEIM SHOULD SAY THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A NEW POSITIVE PROPOSAL ON VAROSHA FROM THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS AND CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT ON THE BASIS OF THE PROPOSAL HE WAS CALLING A MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES. DENKTASH FELT THAT THE GREEK CYPRIOT (AUTHORITIES) MIGHT REACT ANGRILY BUT HE WAS SURE THAT THE GREAT NUMBER OF GREEK CYPRIOTS WHO WOULD BENEFIT WOULD NOT ALLOW KYPRIANOU TO PREVENT TALKS ON THIS BASIS. HE SAID -IF WE ARE LUCKY KYPRIANOU WILL KICK IT (THE PROPOSAL)" AND MIGHT OPEN THE DOOR FOR MORE REASONABLE GREEK CYPRIOT LEADERSHIP.

7. I ASKED DENKTASH HOW HE WOULD RESPOND IF THE UNSYG WERE TO REQUEST HIS VIEWS ON HOW TO MOVE FORWARD ON THE INTER-COMMUNAL TALKS AND IF UNSYG SUGGESTED THAT AN INTERIM UN ROLE IN VAROSHA MIGHT HELP. WOULD DENKTASH BE WILLING TO TRANSMIT THE TURKISH DOCUMENT TO UNSYG? DENKTASH AT FIRST RESPONDED THAT GOT COULD TRANSMIT THE PAPER TO WALDHEIM AND SAY THAT TURKISH CYPRIOTS ARE IN ACCORD. ON SECOND THOUGHT HE SAID IT PROBABLY WOULD BE BETTER IF HE DID IT HIMSELF.

8. COMMENT: I WAS STRUCK BY TWO ASPECTS OF MY CONVERSATION WITH DENKTASH. FIRST, HE ACKNOWLEDGED THE SUPREMACY OF TURKEY FORMULATING POLICY ON CYPRUS IN A MORE POSITIVE WAY THAN HE HAS BEFORE. SECOND, HE WAS COMPLETELY FIRM THAT UNSYG MUST NOT CONSULT WITH GREEK CYPRIOTS BEFORE PUBLIC RELEASE OF TURKISH

VAROSHA DOCUMENT. EMBASSY COMMENT ON LATTER POINT AND OTHER
ASPECTS OF SUBSTANCE OF TURKISH PAPER IS CONTAINED REF (B).
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